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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Stryker Corporation,
Junior Party
(Patent 5,266,683,
Inventors: Hermann Oppermann, Engin Ozkaynak, Thangavel Kuberasampath,
David C. Rueger, Roy H.L. Pang),

v.

Genetics Institute, LLC,
Senior Party
(Application 08/319,831,
Inventors: Rodney M. Hewick, Jack H. Wang,
John M. Wozney, Anthony J. Celeste).

Patent Interference 105,508 (RES) (Technology Center 1600)

DECLARATION - Bd.R. 203(b)¹

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Part A. Declaration of interference

An interference is declared (35 U.S.C. § 135(a)) between the above-identified parties. Details of the application(s), patent (if any), reissue application (if any), count and claims designated as corresponding or as not corresponding to the count appear in Parts E and F of this DECLARATION.

¹ "Bd.R. x" may be used as shorthand for "37 C.F.R. § 41.x". 69 Fed. Reg. 49960, 49961 (12 Aug. 2004).

Part B. Judge managing the interference

Administrative Patent Judge Richard E. Schafer has been designated to manage the interference. 37 CFR § 41.104(a).

Part C. Standing order

A Trial Section STANDING ORDER [SO] (Paper 2) accompanies this DECLARATION. The STANDING ORDER applies to this interference.

Part D. Initial conference call

A telephone conference call to discuss the interference is set for 2:00 p.m. on December 1, 2006 (the Board will initiate the call).

No later than **two business days** prior to the conference call, each party shall file and serve (SO ¶¶ 10.1 & 105) a list of the motions (37 CFR § 41.120 & 204; SO ¶¶ 104.2.1, 120 & 204) the party intends to file.

The time periods for taking action during the motion phase are set in an order accompanying this declaration.

Part E. Identification and order of the parties

Junior Party

Patent:

5,266,683 based on Application 07/841,646 filed

February 21, 1992

Named Inventors:

Hermann Oppermann

Engin Ozkaynak

Thangavel Kuberasampath

David C. Rueger Roy H.L. Pang

Title:

Osteogenic Proteins

Assignee:

Stryker Corporation

Senior Party

Application:

08/319,831 filed October 6, 1994

Named inventors:

Rodney M. Hewick

Jack H. Wang John M. Wozney Anthony J. Celeste

Involved Application:

08/319,831 filed October 6, 1994

Title:

Bone and Cartilage Inductive Proteins

Assignee:

Genetics Institute, LLC

The senior party is assigned exhibit numbers 1001-1999. The junior party is assigned exhibit numbers 2001-2999. 37 CFR § 41.154(c)(1); SO ¶ 154.2.1. The senior party is responsible for initiating settlement discussions. SO ¶ 126.1.

Part F. Count and claims of the parties

Count 1

1. A purified BMP-8 protein or an isolated OP-2 protein comprising the sequence described by residues 1 to 402 of Seq. ID No. 28 of Patent 5,266,683 which protein induces new bone formation in mammals.

The claims of the parties are:

Stryker (Oppermann):

Claims 1-58

Genetics (Hewick):

Claims 1, 26-29

The claims of the parties that correspond to Count 1 are:

Stryker (Oppermann):

Claims 21-26, 27/21, 28, 29, 39, 45-54, 58

Genetics (Hewick):

Claims 1, 26-29

The claims of the parties that do not correspond to Count 1, and therefore are not involved in the interference, are:

Stryker (Oppermann):

Claims 1-20, 27/6, 27/15, 27/18, 30-38, 40-44, 55-57

Genetics (Hewick):

None

The parties are accorded the following benefit for Count 1:

Stryker (Oppermann):

None

Genetics (Hewick):

Application 07/800,364

November 26, 1991

Part G. Heading to be used on papers

The following heading must be used on all papers filed in this interference, see SO ¶ 106.1.1:

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Part H. Order form for requesting file copies

When requesting copies of files, use of SO Form 4 will greatly expedite processing of the request. Please attach a copy of Parts E and F of this DECLARATION with a hand-drawn circle around the patents and applications for which a copy of a file wrapper is requested.

/Richard E. Schafer/ Administrative Patent Judge Enc:

Copy of STANDING ORDER Copy of Patent 5,266,683 Copy of claims of Application 08/319,831

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Applicants: Genetics Institute, LLC, Rodney M. Hewick, Jack H. Wang, John M. Wozney, Anthony J. Celeste Serial No. 08/319,831, Filed: 10/06/94 For: Bone and Cartilage Inductive

Proteins

The above-identified application or patent has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences because it is adjudged to interfere with another application or patent. An interference has been declared. The interference is designated as No. 105,508.

Notice is hereby given the parties of the requirement of the law for filing in the Patent and Trademark Office a copy of any agreement "in connection with or in contemplation of the termination of the interference." 35 U.S.C. § 135(c).

> /SS/ Richard E. Schafer Richard E. Schafer Administrative Patent Judge

INTERFERENCE DIGEST

Interference No. 105,508 Name: Rodney M. Hewick, Jack H. Wang, John M. Wozney, Anthony J. Celeste Serial No.: 08/319,831 Title: Bone and Cartilage Inductive Proteins Filed: 10/06/94 Interference with Oppermann et al. **DECISION ON MOTIONS** Administrative Patent Judge,______Dated,_____ FINAL DECISION Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences,______Dated,_____ Court, Dated, REMARKS

This should be placed in each application or patent involved in interference in addition to the interference letters.